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Navy Reaches out to Local Businesses for Work at Hunters Point Shipyard

SAN DIEGO – (FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2004) – Nearly 90 contractors from Bayview/Hunters Point attended the Navy's Business Contracting Expo Saturday, March 27, 2004, to gather information about how to obtain contracts for environmental cleanup work at Hunters Point Shipyard. The free event, hosted by Southwest Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), was held at the Earl P. Mills Auditorium in Bayview/Hunters Point, and is part of the Navy's continuing effort to ensure that more federal environmental cleanup dollars are made available to local community businesses.

"The Navy wants as diverse a pool of contractors as possible, and wants to spread the work around to as many contractors as we can," Keith Forman, the Navy's BRAC Environmental Coordinator for Hunters Point Shipyard, said. "The Navy needs the local community to participate and help us identify their skill sets and expertise so that they can participate as contractors in the cleanup of Hunters Point. And, providing work for local contractors is one of the ways military base closures can benefit the local community."

Navy contractors are seeking qualified subcontractors from the local community to provide services and materials including trucking, drilling, land surveying, field labor and crane rentals. The seven Navy contractors participating in the event included CDM, Engineering/Remediation Resources Group, Inc., Innovative Technical Solutions, Inc., Shaw

Environmental, Inc., SulTech, TPA-CKY and Tetra Tech FW, Inc. In addition to providing information to local contractors, the Navy offered a step-by-step tutorial for contractors who want to do business with the federal government. Representatives from the Small Business Administration, Federal Technology Center and Young Community Developers also were on hand to offer assistance to attendees.

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